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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meetings

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet in Phoenix, Arizona, as indicated below.

DATES: The RAC Working Groups will meet on May 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and the Business meeting will take place May 8 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESS: The meetings will be held at the BLM National Training Center located at 9828 North 31st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85051.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dorothea Boothe, Arizona RAC Coordinator at the Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office,

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normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Arizona. Planned agenda items include: a welcome and introduction of Council members; BLM State Director's update on BLM programs and issues; recommendations from the RAC Colorado River District Grazing Subcommittee; discussion and feedback on the Department of the Interior Themes and Landscape-Level Opportunities for the BLM; update on the Sonoran Landscape Project; update on the Rapid Ecoregional Assessments; reports by the RAC Working Groups; RAC questions on BLM District Manager Reports; and other items of interest to the RAC. Recommendations from the RAC Colorado River District Grazing Subcommittee will be presented to the RAC on the day of the business meeting for discussion and a vote. Members of the public are welcome to attend the Working Group and Business meetings. A public comment period is scheduled on the day of the Business meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. for any interested members of the public who wish to address the Council on BLM programs and business. Depending on the number of persons wishing to speak and time available, the time for individual comments may be limited. Written comments may also be submitted during the meeting for the RAC's consideration. Final meeting agendas will be available two weeks prior to the meetings and posted on the BLM website at: http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en/res/rac.html. Individuals who need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the RAC Coordinator listed above no later than two weeks before the start of the meeting.

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Under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, the RAC has been designated as

the Recreation RAC (RRAC) and has the authority to review all BLM and Forest Service

recreation fee proposals in Arizona. The RRAC will not review recreation fee program

proposals at this meeting.

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Arizona State Director.

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